

RESERVATION TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE

GENE D. SLOAN
General Manager

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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Federal Communication Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th St. SW Rm. TW-B204
Washington, DC 20554

RE: USF Certification FCC Docket No. 96-45

Dear Ms. Salas:

Enclosed for filing in FCC Docket No. 96-45 is an affidavit certifying that all Universal Service Support will only be used by Reservation Telephone Cooperative for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended.

Reservation Telephone Cooperative has also filed this affidavit with the North Dakota Public Service Commission, and the Montana Public Service Commission. It is anticipated that they will also certify by October 1, 2001 that the undersigned carrier will only use Universal Service Support for its intended purpose. However, because of the importance of this issue, and the fast approaching certification deadline of October 1, 2001, Reservation Telephone Cooperative is also providing certification directly to the Federal Communication Commission to ensure that we continue to receive the Universal Service Support for which we are eligible.

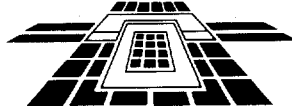
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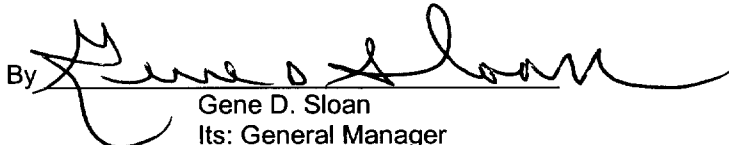
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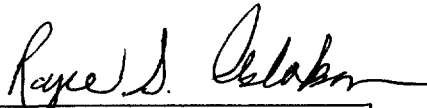
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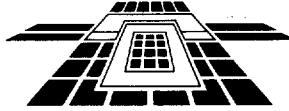
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Mr. Gary Feland, Chairman
Montana Public Service Commission
PO Box 202601
Helena, MT 59620-2601

RE: Montana PSC 2001 ETC certification to the FCC for 2002 Federal Universal Service Support

Dear Mr. Feland:

Enclosed is the data requested from Reservation Telephone Cooperative for the Montana PSC 2001 ETC certification to the FCC for 2002 Federal Universal Service Support. Reservation Telephone Cooperative is an incumbent rural telephone company serving 23 subscribers in Richland and Wibaux counties in a small area on the North Dakota/Montana border.

I have executed an affidavit certifying that Reservation Telephone Cooperative has used all funds received for 2000, and received and yet to be received in 2001, for the intended Universal Service purposes. In addition, Reservation Telephone Cooperative will be using all federal Universal Service funds received in 2001 only for the intended purposes.

We respectfully request that the Montana Public Service Commission provide the necessary 2001 certification to the FCC and USAC so as to permit the continued receipt of Federal Universal Service Support by Reservation Telephone Cooperative in 2002. Questions concerning this certification should be directed to Gene Sloan, General Manager, Reservation Telephone Cooperative, Box 68, Parshall, ND 58770. Mr. Sloan may be reached by phone 701-862-3115 or fax 701-862-3115 or e-mail rtc@restel.net.

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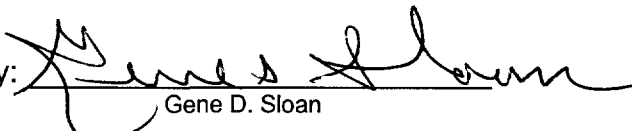
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AFFIDAVIT CERTIFYING USE OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE FUNDS

I, Gene D. Sloan, being of lawful age and duly sworn, on my oath state that I am the General Manager of Reservation Telephone Cooperative and that I am authorized to execute this Affidavit on behalf of the Company and the facts set forth in this Affidavit are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. Pursuant to the rules of the Federal Communications Commission, 47 C.F.R. §54.314, there must be an annual certification that funds received under the federal Universal Service Fund programs will be used only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended. The Company hereby certifies to the Montana Public Service Commission that pursuant to 47 C.F. R. §54.7 and for purposes of the Montana Public Service Commission certification required under 47 C.F.R. §54.314, the Company will use all federal high-cost support provided to it only for the provision, maintenance and upgrading of facilities and service for which the support is intended consistent with the principles of Universal Service set forth in 47 USC 254, including but not limited to, the provision of services that are properly supported by the high-cost funds at rates that are reasonably comparable to rates charged for similar services in urban areas.

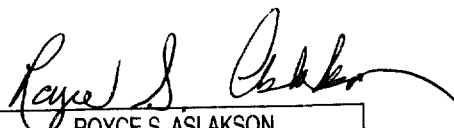
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SUBSCRIBED AND SWORN to before me this 7th day of September, 2001.


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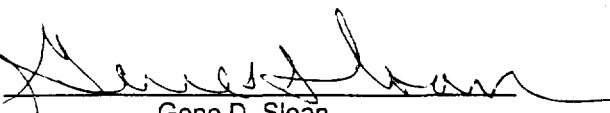
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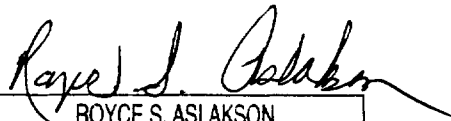
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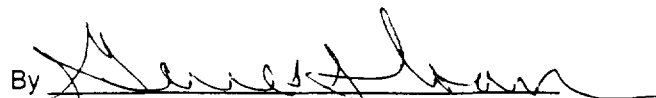
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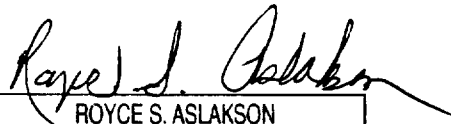
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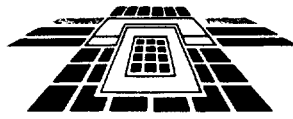

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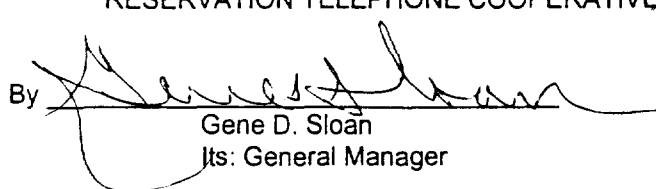
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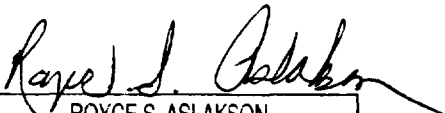
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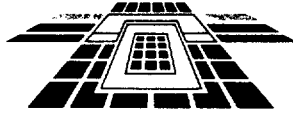
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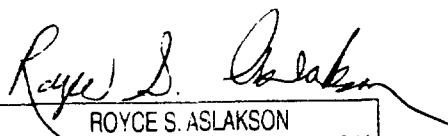
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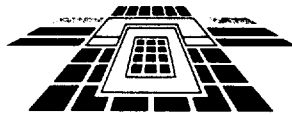
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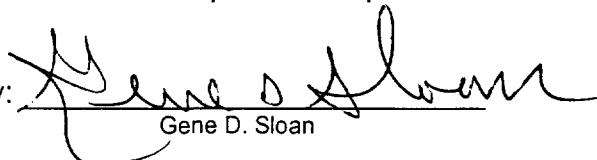
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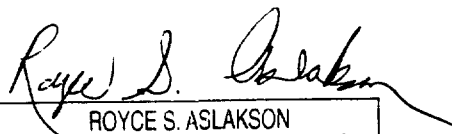
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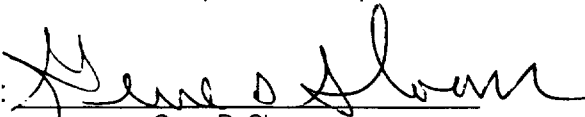
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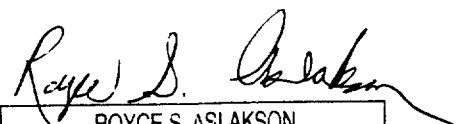
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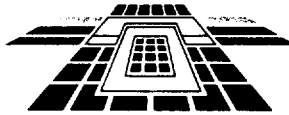
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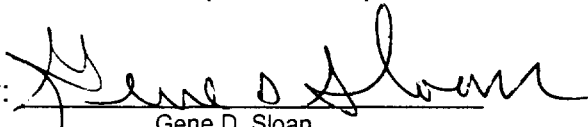
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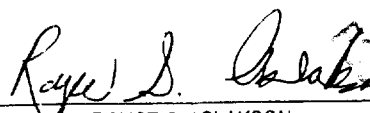
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